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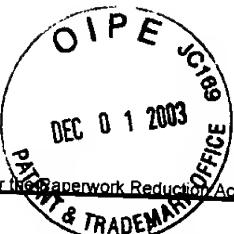
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This amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2003, for which a three (3) month period for reply was given, making this response due on or before November 26, 2003. Applicants request entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks. It is believed that no fees are due in association with the instant response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-1271 under Order No. R-849.

Applicants note that the Office Action Summary states that this Office Action is final; however, the Detailed Action states that the Office Action is non-final (see Page 1 and text). In a telephone conversation with the Examiner on October 24, 2003, the Examiner confirmed that the status of the above referenced Office Action was non-final due to the new grounds of rejection.



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